

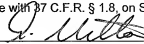
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	}	
<b>John A. Gelardi</b>	}	Art Unit: <b>3724</b>
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Application No.: <b>10/560,199</b>	}	Examiner: <b>Ghassem Alie</b>
	}	
Filing Date: <b>December 8, 2005</b>	}	Confirmation No.: <b>5532</b>
	}	
For: <b>System for Storing and Unpacking Encased Articles</b>	}	

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

By Office Action mailed on August 15, 2008, the Examiner restricted the prosecution of the above-identified application to one the following groups:

Group I      Claims 1, 3-5 and 8-9, drawn to a system for storing and opening enclosed articles

Group II      Claim 7, drawn to a method of providing and opening encased article

Group III      Claims 10-16, drawn to a sealed-cutting apparatus

Applicant elects to prosecute the claims of Group III (10-16), without traverse.